

**STATE PROJECT NO. H.009288.5  
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. H009288  
LA 1 RAILROAD BRIDGE AT DOW  
ROUTE LA 1  
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH**

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Q1: In the advertisement for the LA 1 Railroad Bridge at Dow S.P. No. H.009288.5, the paragraph regarding contract time states the services shall be completed within 225 calendar days. Is this contract time for Stage 3, Parts I & III only or the entire project? If it is only for Stage 3, Parts I & III, then what is the estimated contract time for the complete project?

A1: The 225 days are to complete the topographic survey, bridge alternatives analysis, and preliminary road and bridge design; Stage 3, Parts I & III. The contract time for final plans and subsequently construction support will be calculated and added to the contract with the relevant Supplemental Agreements.

Q2: Is the QC/QA plan document separate from the SF 24-102 or to be included within Section 13? If a separate document, what is the maximum page limitation?

A2: The QC/QA plan will be included within the 24-102 behind the prime section's 24-102 documents. There is no page limitation.

Q3: It appears from the number of addenda that have been processed by LADOTD and the "question and answer" requests that have been answered by LADOTD that there has been a substantial change in the thought processes by the Department on this project. This project began with an "RR" rating, then changed to a "BA" rating to be blended with the "RR" rating and now has been changed to a blended rating with "RR" and "BZ". The minimum personnel requirements have been substantially revised that it has effected possible teaming requirements. Lastly, we are now to provide a QA/QC Plan for this project. Nothing the LADOTD has requested/changed is undoable, but it will require additional time and manpower for reaction.

Because of the changes to the original advertisement mentioned above, we are respectfully requesting that the final submittal for the 24-102 be postponed a week to give the private sector an opportunity to revisit the final addendum on this project. We want to ensure that we are providing to the Department the best team with the best information for this project.

A3: The closing date for the submittal of DOTD Form 24-102 for State Project No. H.009288 shall remain **3:00 p.m. CST on Monday, November 5, 2012.**

Q4: As per the addendum for the **LA1 Railroad Bridge at DOW advertised project**. Is the minimum number of professional engineers by the prime are 3 or 4? It mentioned the required experience for the 3 engineers but nothing about the fourth person. Can you please clarify?

A4: It depends on the firm's personnel experiences. The actual number of engineers may vary due to the experience level of the firm's engineer. At a minimum two engineers are required. If the Principal and a firm engineer has the required experience for the following positions: PTOE, road, and bridge.

If only one engineer meets each of the requirements:

- 1) Principal
- 2) PTOE
- 3) 1- Road Engineers
- 4) 1- Bridge Engineers

A firm could satisfy all of the requirements with a minimum of two engineers. Please recall that the minimum personnel requirements were changed to require two engineers experienced in bridge design, one with 10 years and one with 8 years of experience. If one of these is the Principal, with at least 5 years of road design experience, and PTOE, and a registered Professional Land Surveyor, only one additional engineer would be needed to meet the requirements.